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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit: 1637
) Examiner: Jeffrey N. FREDMAN
Confirmation No.: 4214

For: CLONED DNA SEQUENCES RELATED TO THE GENOMIC RNA OF LYMPHADENOPATHY-ASSOCIATED VIRUS (LAV) AND PROTEINS

**ENCODED BY SAID LAV GENOMIC RNA** 

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## **RESPONSE**

In response to the Office Action dated December 5, 2005, the period for response to which has been extended by filing a petition for extension of time and fee herewith, applicants submit the following remarks.